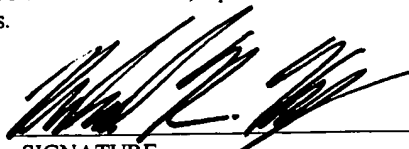


FORM PTO-1390 REV. 2/01T		U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE	ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 03419.0023-00
<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>			U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37CFR1.5) <b>10/507129</b>
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP03/02833	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE March 11, 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED March 11, 2002	
<b>TITLE OF INVENTION</b> METHOD OF CONTROLLING ETHANOL PRODUCTION AND MASS PRODUCTION OF LACTIC ACID AND TRANSFORMANT THEREFOR			
<b>APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US</b> Satoshi SAITO, Osamu SAOTOME, Noriko YASUTANI, Yasuo MATSUO, Nobuhiro ISHIDA, Masana HIRAI, Takao IMAEDA, Chikara MIYAZAKI and Kenro TOKUHIRO.			
Applicant(s) herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:			
1.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C 371.	
2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.	
3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.	
4.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (Article 31).	
5.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)).	
	a.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
	b.	<input type="checkbox"/>	has been communicated by the International Bureau.
	c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	is not required, as the application was filed with the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)).	
	a.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	is attached hereto.
	b.	<input type="checkbox"/>	has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154 (d)(4).
7.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)).	
	a.	<input type="checkbox"/>	are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
	b.	<input type="checkbox"/>	have been communicated by the International Bureau.
	c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
	d.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	have not been made and will not be made.
8.	<input type="checkbox"/>	An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)).	
9.	<input type="checkbox"/>	An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)).	
10.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)).	
<b>Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:</b>			
11.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98	
12.	<input type="checkbox"/>	An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.	
13.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A <b>FIRST</b> preliminary amendment.	
14.	<input type="checkbox"/>	A <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> preliminary amendment.	
15.	<input type="checkbox"/>	A Substitute specification.	
16.	<input type="checkbox"/>	A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.	
17.	<input type="checkbox"/>	A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821-1.825.	
18.	<input type="checkbox"/>	A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154 (d)(4).	
19.	<input type="checkbox"/>	A second copy of the English language translation of the international application 35 U.S.C. 154 (d)(4).	
20.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other items or information:	
	a.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Copy of cover page of International Publication No. WO 03/076630 A1
	b.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	22 pages of sequence listings
	c.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Verification of Translation (1 page).

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21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The following fees are submitted: <b>BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492 (a) (1) - (5)):</b>  Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO and International Search Report not prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... <b>\$1080.00</b>  International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but International Search Report prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... <b>\$920.00</b>  International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but International Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO ..... <b>\$770.00</b>  International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) paid to USPTO but all claims did not satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) ..... <b>\$730.00</b>  International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) paid to USPTO and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33 (1)-(4) ..... <b>\$100.00</b>  <b>ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =</b>				CALCULATIONS PTO USE ONLY	
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492 (e)). <span style="float: right;"><input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30</span>				\$	
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE		
Total Claims	18	- 20 =	0	x \$18.00	\$
Independent Claims	2	- 3 =	0	x \$86.00	\$
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)				+\$290.00	\$290.00
<b>TOTAL OF THE ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>				<b>\$1210.00</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.				\$	
<b>SUBTOTAL =</b>				<b>\$1210.00</b>	
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than months from the earliest priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)). <span style="float: right;"><input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30</span>				\$	
<b>TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =</b>				<b>1210.00</b>	
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21 (h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property.				\$	
<b>TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =</b>				<b>\$1210.00</b>	
				Amount to be refunded:	\$
				charged:	\$
a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of <u>\$1210.00</u> to cover the above fees is enclosed. b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>06-0916</u> . A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. d. <input type="checkbox"/> Fees are to be charged to a credit card. <b>WARNING:</b> Information on this form may become public. <b>Credit card information should not be included on this form.</b> Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.					
NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137 (a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.					
SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO: Finnegan, Henderson, Farabow, Garrett & Dunner, L.L.P. 1300 I Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20005-3315					
DATED: September 10, 2004				 SIGNATURE Michael R. Kelly, Registration No. 33,921 NAME/REGISTRATION NO.	